

substitute specification and substitute specification (with revisions) satisfied the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.125(b).

More specifically, the October 4, 2000, Supplemental Amendment included an appropriate 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(b) statement indicating that the substitute specification did not add new matter. See page 1 of the October 4 Supplemental Amendment.

In addition, the Quayle Action indicates that the October 4 Supplemental Amendment did not comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(b) for failing to provide a copy of the substitute specification (with revisions). Applicants respectfully submit that an appropriate copy of the substitute specification (with revisions) was in fact filed with the October 4 Supplemental Amendment. For the Examiner's information, Applicants provide a copy of the date-stamped "PTO RECEIPT FOR FILING OF PAPERS" which clearly indicates that a substitute specification (with revisions) was received on October 4, 2000.

Nevertheless, in an effort to expedite the issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance, Applicants attach hereto an additional copy of the substitute specification and a copy of the substitute specification with revisions.

In view of the foregoing remarks and the attached documents, as well as the Amendments and remarks of the August 24 Amendment, it is respectfully submitted that the instant application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary in order to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments:

Copy of Date-Stamped PTO RECEIPT FOR FILING OF PAPERS
Substitute Specification
Substitute Specification (with revisions)

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